

Preliminary Amendment

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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 19, with the following amended paragraph.

The invention further provides [[to]] an antibody capable of specifically binding to a peptide having at least a 70% (more preferably, at least 80%, even more preferably, at least 90%, and even more preferably, at least 95%) sequence identity to a peptide that includes the amino acids of SEQ ID NO:1 or SEQ ID N:2. In one embodiment, the antibody is a monoclonal antibody and in another embodiment, the antibody is a polyclonal antibody. In another embodiment the antibody is an antibody fragment, which is included in the use of the term antibody. The antibody can be obtained from a mouse, a rat, human or a rabbit. Methods for preparing antibodies to ~~peptides~~ peptides are well known to one of skill in the art. In a preferred example, the antibodies can be human derived, rat derived, mouse derived, or rabbit derived. Protein-binding antibody fragments and chimeric fragments are also known and are within the scope of this invention.